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Dear Ms. Nielsen:

This concerns your 26 October 2007 Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request for *"Copies of all finished intelligence reports produced between 1990 and 2000 by the Office of Asian Pacific and Latin American Analysis and African Analysis related to Peru."* We have assigned your request the reference number above. Please use this number when corresponding with us so that we can identify it easily.

Your request as presented, given the nature of our various records systems, does not constitute a request for reasonably described records and would be unduly burdensome were we to proceed. As you can appreciate, FOIA resources are finite and the most effective use of these resources (i.e. the most substantive responses to the most requesters) can best be accomplished through tailored requests which meet the needs of the requesters and which permit effective processing by the Agency. Commonly this equates to a requirement that the documents must be locatable through the indexing to our various records. A request such as yours would impose an excessive and unreasonable burden on the Agency, and pursuant to relevant precedent, we must decline to process such requests. In the instant case, the appropriate component has advised that your request is far too broad and cannot be searched as submitted. Your request must be more specific, for example, narrowing your request to a specific activity, event, or country in which you are interested.

Based on the above, we must decline to process your request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Scott Koch", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Scott Koch
Information and Privacy Coordinator

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